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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1640**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jiangchun Xu *et al.*
Application No. : 09/780,669
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For : COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE THERAPY AND
DIAGNOSIS OF PROSTATE CANCER

Examiner : Larry R. Helms, Ph.D.
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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 7, 2005, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on Monday, August 8, 2005. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.